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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:18 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 7, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1774.)

## *Committee Meetings*

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### **USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Rural Development and Energy concluded a hearing to examine Department of Agriculture rural development programs and their economic impact across America, after receiving testimony from Lisa Mensah, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development; Craig Hill, Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, Milo; Monte Shaw, Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, Johnston; and Cris Somerville, Dakota Turbines, Cooperstown, North Dakota, on behalf of the Distributed Wind Energy Association.

### **APPROPRIATIONS: USFS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Tom Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

### **APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a closed hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2017 for the National Intelligence and Military Intelligence programs, after receiving testimony from James Clapper, Director of National Intelligence; and Marcel Lettre, Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence.

### **DHS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine research and development efforts at the Department of Homeland Security, after receiving testi-

mony from Reginald Brothers, Under Secretary for Science and Technology, Kathryn H. Brinsfield, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs and Chief Medical Officer, and Huban A. Gowadia, Director for the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, all of the Department of Homeland Security.

### **DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on SeaPower concluded a hearing to examine Navy shipbuilding programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2017 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development, and Acquisition, Vice Admiral Joseph P. Mulloy, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources (N8), and Lieutenant General Robert S. Walsh, USMC, Deputy Commandant for Combat Development and Integration, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, all of the Department of Defense.

### **MILITARY JUSTICE REVIEW GROUP**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee received a closed briefing on the report of the Military Justice Review Group from Andrew S. Effron, Director, Military Justice Review Group, and Dwight H. Sullivan, Senior Associate Deputy General Counsel for Military Justice Personnel Policy, both of the Department of Defense.

### **UNRELIABILITY OF FEDERAL FINANCIAL DATA**

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the unreliability of Federal financial data, including the need to address the government's remaining financial management challenges and long-term fiscal path, after receiving testimony from Gene L. Dodaro, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office.

### **TRANSPORTATION SECURITY**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine transportation security, focusing on protecting passengers and freight, after receiving testimony from Peter Neffenger, Administrator, Transportation Security Administration, Department of Homeland Security.

### **NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION BUDGET**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2017 for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

after receiving testimony from Stephen G. Burns, Chairman, and Kristine Svinicki, William Ostendorff, and Jeffrey Baran, each a Commissioner, all of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS OF THE U.S. DEBT**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the strategic implications of the United States debt, after receiving testimony from Richard N. Haass, Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York; and Neera Tanden, Center for American Progress, Washington, D.C.

#### **BUSINESS MEETING**

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2700, to update the authorizing provisions relating to the workforces of the National Institutes of Health and the Food and Drug Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 185, to create a limited population pathway for approval of certain antibacterial drugs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2713, to provide for the implementation of a Precision Medicine Initiative, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2745, to amend the Public Health Service Act to promote the inclusion of minorities in clinical research, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 2742, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act regarding the national research institutes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

#### **INDIAN AFFAIRS LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2304, to provide for tribal demonstration projects for the integration of early

childhood development, education, including Native language and culture, and related services, for evaluation of those demonstration projects, S. 2468, to require the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a 5-year demonstration program to provide grants to eligible Indian tribes for the construction of tribal schools, S. 2580, to establish the Indian Education Agency to streamline the administration of Indian education, and S. 2711, to expand opportunity for Native American children through additional options in education, after receiving testimony from Lawrence S. Roberts, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Arizona State Senator Carlyle W. Begay, Phoenix; Patricia Whitefoot, National Indian Education Association, Washington, D.C.; and Sandra Boham, Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, Montana.

#### **FEDERAL DISASTER RESPONSE**

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal disaster response and Small Business Administration implementation of the RISE Act, after receiving testimony from Douglas Kramer, Deputy Administrator, Small Business Administration; and Elizabeth A. Zimmerman, Associate Administrator, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

#### **ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE**

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine finding a cure, focusing on assessing progress toward the goal of ending Alzheimer's by 2025, after receiving testimony from Ronald C. Petersen, Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, Rochester, Minnesota; Polly Bradley, Southern Maine Agency on Aging, Scarborough; Lisa Baron, Memory Care Home Solutions, St. Louis, Missouri; and David Hyde Pierce, New York, New York.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma session at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2016, pursuant to the provisions of S. Con. Res. 34.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.